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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory:	Colorado	

ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Process for the Investigation of Allegations of Resident Neglect and Abuse and Misappropriation of Resident Property

The State has in effect the following process for the receipt and timely review and investigation of allegations of neglect and abuse and misappropriation of resident property by a nurse aide or a resident in a nursing facility or by another individual used by the facility in providing services to such a resident.

If an allegation of neglect is present it is investigated as a complaint, which are prioritized as to whether they are life threatening, serious, but not life threatening or routine. Life threatening complaints are investigated within 24 hours of receipt.

Allegations of abuse are referred to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit and a joint investigation may be conducted or they may choose to do their own separate investigation. The Local Law Enforcement Agency is usually involved, Adult Protection may be involved. The Board of Nursing may be notified.

Misappropriation of property is referred to the Local Law Enforcement and/or the Medicaid Fraud Unit of the Attorney General's Office.

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